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In re Application of:

Y. Bronicki et al.

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For:

METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING PELLETS FROM

HEAVY HYDROCARBON LIQUID

of Explayed

## RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.146

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

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This is in response to the final Office Action dated February 20 2002. The three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on May 20, 2002; therefore, this response and amendment should be considered timely filed.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding objections and rejections and allow all claims pending in this application. This response and amendment should be entered because it places the application in condition for allowance.

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**AMENDMENT** 

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In the Claims:

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Please amend claims 1, 7, 9, 10, 13 and 14 as per attached